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**COUNCILMEMBER DJOU:
CITY SHOULD RESPECT ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND
DELAY ALA WAI PROJECT**

The State Office of Environmental Quality Control issued a statement asking the City to delay construction of its Ala Wai Boulevard project, pending an August 12 hearing on this matter. To date, the City administration has not responded to this request.

Councilmember Charles K. Djou (Waikiki, Hawaii Kai) again called upon the Mayor to stop the proposed project. "I am concerned the City administration may have violated environmental regulations in its rush to ram through the Ala Wai project. I hope the Mayor does the right thing and halts this project pending a hearing and ruling by the Office of Environmental Quality Control. In addition to being a waste of taxpayer resources, it appears this project may also violate environmental regulations."

The proposed project will permanently eliminate one lane of traffic on Ala Wai Boulevard, take away 60 parking stalls, and cost taxpayers close to \$2.5 mil.

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